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Central Presbyterian Church

CLINTON, BELMONT AND MADISON AVENUES

Newark, N. J.

January 31st, 1937.

GEORGE F. LINGERMAN, Clerk

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THE ONE HUNDRED CENTENNIAL
of the
CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NEWARK, N. J.

Rev. John H. P. Strone
Minister.

The papers documents, material, herein compiled in connection with the One Hundredth Anniversary of the CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH has been done with this thought that they might be helpful in future occasions and preserved for coming generations.

It was planned to have our Centennial run from January 31st, 1937, to January 1st, 1938, but, due to the sudden death of our late Pastor - Reverend Loyal Young Graham Jr. on Sunday December 20th, 1936, after a brief illness, our plans were necessarily changed to some extent. Upon the death of Mr. Graham the Officers of the Church requested that the Presbytery permit the Reverend Frederick W. Johnson D. D. General Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey to Moderate our Session. The request was granted.

Rev. F. W. Johnson D. D. and the Rev. Robert Scott Inglis D. D. did most of the supplying of our pulpit and conducted the Prayer Meetings.

On January 1st, 1937, Rev. R. S. Inglis D. D. preached a historical sermon. On October 31st, 1937 - Reverend John Hamilton Paul Strone of Pitts Grove Presbyterian Church, Darstown, N. J. was called to become our Pastor, to begin his work on Sunday December 5th, 1937. On December 31st, 1937 he was installed as the fifteenth Pastor of our Church and preached the final sermon in connection with the Anniversary Service on January 31st, 1938.

During the year we raised \$3,500.00 in addition to our regular offerings; this sum was used to pay some current expenses, also to make many necessary repairs to the Church and Manse.

This record was compiled by Mr. George F. Lingerman, Clerk of Session and approved by vote of Session.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF SERVICE.

One hundred years of service
For Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Has now become past history
We've fought with fire and sword.

The blood of Christ, our savior
From pulpit has been preached,
And hymns of praise united
The hearts of men to reach.

A changing population
From Gentile, then to Jew,
The Negro moved in also
Yet, God's word, still rang true.

Our disappointments - many
Have added to our woes,
But Christ of Calvary's triumph
Has conquered o'er our foes.

In Newark's center, our first home
Then later on we moved,
To Clinton Hill; then suburb
A worth while change, it proved.

Our task has not been roses,
Or flowery beds of ease,
To Jesus Christ our leader
Our Lord, we've tried to please.

If we have helped to conquer
The dregs of pain and sin,
The blessed Son of Glory
We 've worked with Him to win.

Written by Elder John E. Campbell,
of Central Presbyterian Church,
Newark, N. J. in connection with
its 100th anniversary celebrated
on Sunday, January 31st, 1937.

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COMMITTEE on 100th ANNIVERSARY

January 31, 1937

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Rev. John H. P. Strome

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Central Presbyterian Church

Newark, New Jersey

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To our Members and Friends:-

One hundred years of progress and real service for God and our community, is the history of our church. Your officers feel their responsibility for the future of our church and cannot let an opportunity like this go by without doing something about it.

The present condition of our church is such that we must look forward. We all feel the loss of our beloved pastor, Rev. L. Y. Graham, Jr. and because of our loss feel it our duty to press forward more than ever. We of course will be calling a new pastor at some future date, but before doing this must face the facts as we find them and pass them along to you.

First of all we have about \$900. in unpaid bills which must be paid; Second, the physical condition of our church is such that many needed repairs and alterations must be made to preserve our property. The entire church should also be redecorated both inside and outside; Third, before we call a pastor we must completely renovate and redecorate the manse; Fourth, there will be additional expenses in connection with our Centennial Celebration. You will hear more about this Celebration at a later date.

Your officers have carefully and prayerfully considered the above and feel that we must raise \$5000. in addition to our regular contributions this year. By doing this we will put our church in a condition so that it will occupy the position in our community it rightfully deserves.

You will find enclosed herewith a pledge card and envelope. Kindly fill in your card for everything you will give in addition to your regular weekly contribution. Do not confuse this appeal with your weekly envelopes. Place your pledge card and envelope on the offering plate or send to our church treasurer. Kindly designate on the card when you will make your payments if you are unable to pay all at this time.

Your officers have agreed to support this CENTENNIAL FUND 100% so let all get behind it and put it over as quickly as possible. Remember, it is more blessed to give than to receive and this is truly the work of our Lord.

Yours for Central Church,

FINANCE COMMITTEE
CENTENNIAL FUND.